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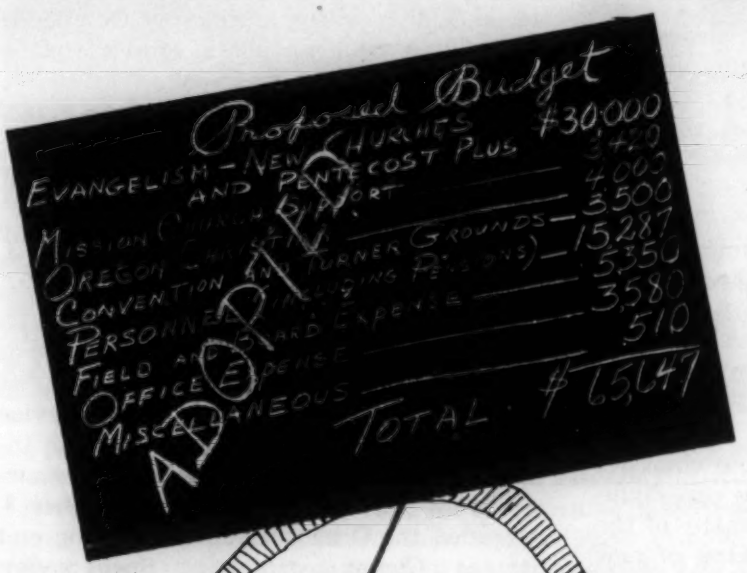

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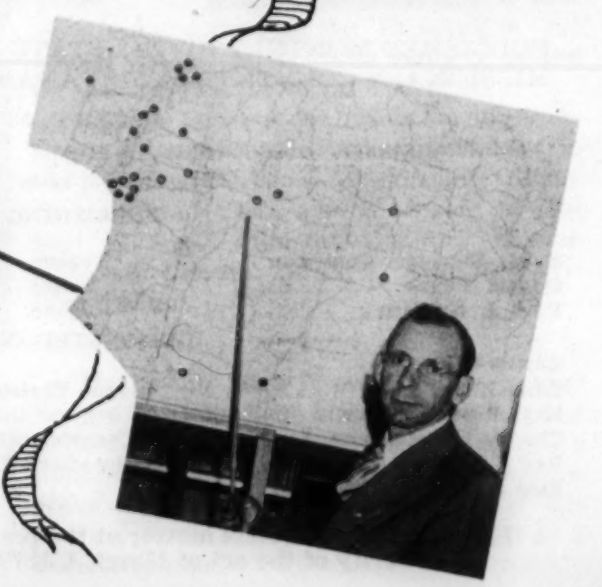


Mr. Chairman, I Move . . . .

That in answer to the call of God, and the beckoning voice of His Spirit, we members of the Oregon Christian Churches (Churches of Christ) assembled at the Court Street Christian Church of Salem on November 25, 1952, adopt a program of expansion in Oregon designed to:

—Establish at least 10 new churches before the state convention of September 1953

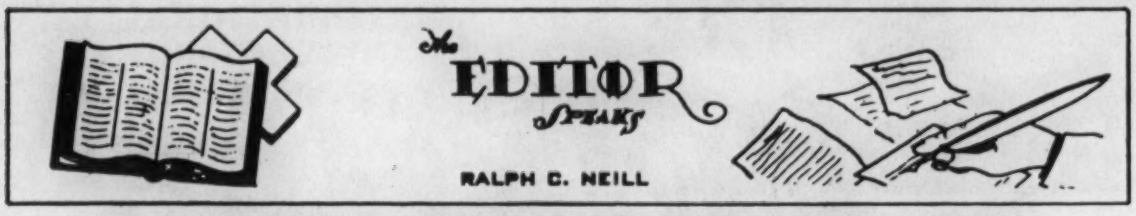
—Call into the field a full-time director of Christian Education as soon as possible

—Call into the field as a minister of stewardship and Christian relations, Brother Newell Morgan, minister of the Hillsboro Church

—And that to financially undergird this program, we adopt an annual budget of $65,647.00

—Further, that we go on record before God, as offering ourselves, our prayers, our things and lives upon the altar of our Lord Jesus Christ, to guarantee the success of our share of this prayerfully acknowledged contract with God

—And, finally, that we here assembled, return to our home Churches to challenge our fellow-Christians with this prayer-born program to more adequately carry out the commission of Christ in Oregon and to encourage their support girded by their lives, their prayers and their things.



The Challenge of the Hour: Pray—Plan—Act!

GUEST EDITORIAL

—By Harold Lyman, Minister, Court Street Christian Church and President, Oregon Christian Missionary Convention.

One hundred years ago, Oregon was more of a dream than a reality. But because our forefathers had faith in the possibilities of the Oregon Country, and were willing to put sacrifice and hard work behind that faith, the wagon wheels started to roll westward. There were many to say it couldn't be done—that it was hopeless; the wild, rugged Oregon country never could be settled. But there were those who believed, and setting their faces toward the setting sun, they toiled, they labored, they sacrificed and they won. We, today, enjoy the fruits of the labors of these pioneers of the land and spirit. When God wants to do something wonderful, he starts with an impossibility and one or more people who dare to believe that with Him all things are possible.

During the past ten years Oregon has again seen the eyes of the country turn westward and by train, car and plane the people have come. They have filled our cities and spilled out into the valleys and plains. These people, many of them Christian, have come from our eastern churches and have come to make their home in our fair land.

But while the population of our state has increased by fifty per cent and our churches have felt the impact of new life, we have utterly failed to keep pace with the opportunities of the hour. The northwest is considered home mission territory by many of the major denominations who are pouring money and men into the establishing of new churches. Meanwhile the Churches of Christ have hesitated. A few new churches have been established and much good has been done, but the day in which we live calls for a new vision and pioneers of the spirit who are willing to back their faith with sacrifice.

First of all, prayer is needed. We need to pray, to confess our lack of faith, our timid ways and seek the forgiveness of our God. We need to pray urgently, fervently until a new vision grips us and we arise to do the will of our God. Nothing can be done until we pray, but all things are possible when we pray. A re-discovery of the power and the necessity of prayer is needed in every church. We need to be praying for the evangelism of every area of the state. What right have we to claim to be New Testament Churches unless we, too, give evidence of the same compassion and concern that sent those early Christians to the ends of the world for their Christ. He said, "Go", and by faith they obeyed. Yes, it was impossible—it couldn't be done; but they did it. They prayed and then followed their prayers that His kingdom might come on earth.

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ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

Since last report we have spent a busy thirty days. Attended the Short Course for Leaders of Youth in Eugene. While there I sat in on a committee meeting of the Disciple Student Foundation and a meeting of the State Youth Committee. Attended two conferences in Salem where Miss Frances Woolery was leading and one in Portland under her leadership. Preached at the Gladstone Church on the morning of October 26 and visited the evangelistic service at Oregon City conducted by W. W. White.

I attended the three day State Board Planning Retreat at Menucha; the Portland area Christian Ministers meeting; one session of the West Oregon Christian Youth Fellowship Meet in Portland; had the expereience of attending the Lord's Acre Sale sponsored by the Powell Butte Church and while there made several valuable contacts. Preached at Culver on Sunday morning November 2. Enjoyed meeting the Harters. Attended an evening service at the Multnomah Church. Met with the International Convention Executive committee in an all day meeting on November 3. Attended the Oregon Council Planning and Strategy Committee meeting. Spent a day in conferences on our State Convention program and on our Christian educational work.

I attended the Eastern Oregon Christian Youth Fellowship Meet at Milton and spoke at the Hermiston Church on Sunday morning November 9. Met wtih a group of interested persons about planting a new church in the extreme west portion of Portland. Met with the Gladstone Church Board about the "Pentecost Plus" crusade. Attended the joint board meetings of the Portland Council and the Oregon Council of Churches, meeting concerning their possible merger. Attended a fellowship dinner at the Englewood Church and sat in on a conference with them later.

I attended the Southern Oregon Christian Youth Fellowship Meet at Coquille; preached at both the morning and evening services on November 16; held a conference with the Church Board concerning the "Pentecost Plus" crusade; spent 15 days in the office and held 7 personal conferences with parties about church work.

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NEWS AND PICTURE

DEADLINE

The Portland International Convention of Disciples of Christ committee chairmen are pictured above at the recent general assembly of working committees held at the Kern Park Christian Church, Portland, making plans for the July 4-9 gathering. General Chairman, A. W. Mortensen, layman First Church, Portland is pictured at left, first row. Others in first row left to right are Oma Lou Myers, Mallory Avenue; Ralph Putnam, minister, St. Helens; H. C. Courter, layman, Mallory Avenue; John L. Earls, minister, Multnomah; Mrs. C. C. Smith, laywoman, Mallory Avenue and president Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship; Lloyd Arnett, layman, Kern Park; and Ross J. Griffeth, president Northwest Christian College. Back row left to right Dr. C. R. Beatty, layman, Kern Park; O. H. Fraley, layman, Mallory Avenue; Donald Payne, minister of education, Salem First Church; Howard Cole, minister, Vancouver, Washington; Harold Stephens, layman, Vancouver, Washington; Hubert Sias, minister, Mallory Avenue; Earl Bland, layman, Portland First Church; Myron Cole, minister, Portland First Church; John S. Moore, layman, Portland; S. C. Berry, layman, Portland First Church; and Aldis Webb, minister, Tillamook. Other committee chairmen who were not present for the picture included Mrs. C. L. Mossberger, laywoman, Portland First Church; Wilbur Porterfield, layman, Portland First Church; Lyman King, layman, Portland First Church. George Whipple, minister, Kern Park and Vice General Chairman, and Charles H. Addleman, state secretary, were present for the meeting but were not available for the picture.

Out-of-state ministers who attended the November 20 committee planning sessions of the Portland International Convention of Disciples of Christ are pictured above. Left to right Earl H. Van Doren, Washington-North Idaho secretary; Hartzell Cobbs, minister First Church, Boise, Idaho; Howard Cole, minister, Vancouver, Washington; Lloyd Newton, minister, First Church, Ogden, Utah; and Paul Dean Hill, minister, First Church, Lewiston, Idaho. Also present at meeting but not present for picture was C. A. Brostrom, minister, Lake City Church, Seattle, Washington.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION PLANS MADE

A minimum of 2100 registrations from Oregon is the goal set by the Portland Convention Committee which looks forward to the International Convention of Disciples of Christ to meet in Portland next July 4-9. Hubert Sias, pastor of the Mallory Avenue Christian Church, Portland, is in charge of registrations for the Northwest states. Quotas set for registrations in other Northwest states are: Washington, 1500; Montana, 150; Utah—South Idaho, 250.

The general Portland Convention Committee, A. W. Mortensen, General Chairman, met at the Kern Park Christian Church on November 20 to carry forward plans for the coming convention and to gain a full understanding of the duties of various sub-committees. Ninety-two persons from the Northwest states were in attendance at this meeting.

Stress is being placed on making this a family convention. Many families from eastern and Mississippi Valley states are now planning to attend the convention and make it the center of an extended vacation trip next summer. The Portland Committee is planning every detail so that there will be a royal welcome to those who heed the slogan, "Portland for me in fifty-three."

The Pulpit Supply Committee, chairmanned by Dr. Myron Cole of First Christian, Portland, plans to arrange for visiting pastors to supply the pulpits of at least four hundred different congregations within an area that can be reached from Portland within a few hours. It has long been the custom not only to place convention going preachers in the pulpits of Christian churches but also to arrange for appearances in pulpits of the various denominations, thereby giving us an opportunity to bear witness to our plea and position before those of varying views.

Aldis Webb, pastor of the First Christian Church, Tillamook, is chairman of the committee which is arranging tours to various scenic places in and near Portland. Deep sea fishing, Columbia River trips, journeys over mountain trails and a tour to Alaska following the Convention are among the special features being arranged by the sub-committee on Tours.

Early in January the forms for registration will be available. All registrations in the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Utah, are to be sent to Hubert E. Sias, Minister, Mallory Avenue Christian Church, 126 N. E. Alberta, Portland, Oregon.

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Maybe our main trouble today is that we are too impatient and travel at too fast a pace. In the old days if a man missed a stage coach he was content to wait two or three days for the next one. Now he lets out a squawk if he misses one section of a revolving door.

NEWS OF CHRISTIAN HOUSES

—By Mrs. Dulcina Elliott

Mr. Leighton Dashiell of Dallas has accepted the appointment of the Oregon Christian Student Foundation to be director of the proposed "Friends of Christian Houses" outreach to the churches of the state. He has outlined some wonderful plans which should give our congregations a much better idea of what goes on in our student centers, what the needs are in our brotherhood approach to campus ministry and how we can all help to spread the gospel among our students.

The students have joined effectively in their Visitation Evangelism programs led by Mr. Shelvy Anglemyer in Corvallis and Eugene. Several baptisms of university students were the direct results of student participation in this effort and many other students affiliated themselves with local churches because of the effective visitation.

Sunday, November 23rd was a big day in the student life of Eugene, for on that day the students had charge of the evening church service at First Christian Church and gave a reception afterward in honor of Dr. Victor P. Morris who has done so much for student work in Oregon. For five years he served as chairman of the state Foundation and is presently chairman of the Eugene Christian House Board and chairman of the Board of Trustees of N.C.C. He has served for 20 years as teacher of the College and University class of the First Christian Church.

From Corvallis House where Everett L. Cecil is the new Director of Student Work comes the news that on Sunday evenings the speakers during November have been Dr. Hovland of Dept. of Religion, OSC speaking on "Christian Philosophy of Life"; Canterbury Club (Episcopal Students) presented "Why Episcopalians"; and Gilbert Faxon "What the Bible Means to Me." Christian House was in charge of KOAC Meditation each evening at 9:45 for a week during November. The House is now in the midst of a series of "International Hours"—Students from Burma, Iceland, Iran and Nigeria are asked to tell of their country.

Perhaps some readers of this column would like to do something specific for our Christian Houses for Christmas. Some of the needs for the Corvallis House are a coffee maker, some large serving trays, a tea pot, paint, door mats, books, magazine subscriptions, furniture and kitchen accessories are always welcome. The Eugene House needs twin lamp shades, cups and saucers in Rose Point, all kinds of cooking utensils —especially large baking pans and large spoons, forks etc. for cooking, paper-cutter, green trading stamps, records, serving trays for individual use, hymnals (The Hymnal for Youth), community sing books, resource books on worship, umbrella stand, built-in magazine rack, floor lamp for living room, etc. Small gifts of money will be used to buy needed articles and donors will receive record of purchases.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

Four thousand Christian Women's Fellowships in the United States, Puerto Rico and Jamaica now have a total membership of 199,000 who received organizational, program and guidance materials this last year. There are now 800 women on state boards and 34 State Executive Secretaries assisting women in local churches; three volunteer workers are giving valuable service; two tours for Business and Professional Women have been conducted; 2 countries, Puerto and Jamaica, have given help in organizing Christian Fellowships. For the second time in the history of our brotherhood, the women's missionary offerings have exceeded the million dollar mark. Between July 1, 1951 and June 30, 1952, the regular offerings totalled $1,012,220.33. There was in addition to the regular offering, a large sum given for specified purposes.

The Christian Women's Fellowship of Junction City church held a School of World Friendship for four Sunday nights beginning on October 26 and closing on November 16. Mrs. D. C. Lynch served as chairman. They followed the pattern used in February—snack supper at 5:30, class period for all age groups at 6:30 and assembly with worship, special speaker and films at 7:30.

Following a series of Church visitations as a member of a team in South Idaho, November 9-16, the writer met with the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Ontario, Oregon church on November 17. An executive meeting was held prior to a luncheon and the regular meeting. The Fellowship goals in the Ten Year Program of Advance were presented. New materials for the study on Africa January to July 1953, were purchased. They are planning a salmon dinner for the White Swan Indian Mission for the evening of January 16, an annual observance of this church. Mrs. Robert Chapel is president of the Ontario Women.

Members of the state Christian Women's Fellowship board will participate in a series of "Conventions on Wheels" to be held between January 19 and February 19, 1953. in the Oregon churches. Watch for further announcements.

Our missionary organization's Home Mission study on "Human Rights-Unfinished Report" closes with this month. Since the Home Mission institutions have come in for their share of study, a summary of some recent information is in order. Keep this in your files for future reference.

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE, Edwards, Mississippi. (For negroes)

YAKIMA INDIAN CHRISTIAN MISSION, White Swan, Washington. 38

REDMOND CHURCH OF CHRIST REDECORATED

The Redmond Church of Christ, Richard T. Merriman, minister, has recently been completely redecorated. The project has been in progress since the first of the year. The church has been completely redecorated inside and out and a new furnace has been installed. New oak pews, dedicated in June in honor of Clyde E. Burgess, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Burgess, and a new pulpit have been installed. Most recent installation was a blond oak communion table.

All of the church furniture was manufactured by the DeGraff Furniture Company in Dallas. Mrs. Dorothy Lowery, church reporter, reveals that it was through The Oregon Christian that the church first learned of the DeGraff Company. Several of our churches now have DeGraff furniture as the result of the companies advertisement each month in The Oregon Christian. Mrs. Lowery also states that the workmanship is beautiful and the cooperation of Mr. George DeGraff was deeply appreciated.

Oregon Christian Missionary Convention's Financial Picture July 1 — October 31, 1952

—By Charles H. Addleman

The State Convention in its annual assembly on the Turner Grounds adopted a budget of $27,951.50. This budget is the means by which the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention is able to carry out the program on the state level. You will also recall that it was the wish of the convention that the former missionary account, the account of The Oregon Christian and the account of the Grounds and Convention be combined into one budget. This was done and the above stated budget includes all three accounts. The state secretary was requested by the board to publish a financial statement in simple language in The Oregon Christian. We have a very efficient bookkeeper, but some who are not accustomed to reading bookkeepers reports have difficulty understanding it, so I have gone through all receipts from July 1 through October 31 and totaled our income. I have likewise taken the check book and totaled the amount of all bills paid during the same period. To clarify it a little I have listed the three main sources of income and the three main sources of expenditures. The financial picture is as follows:

Receipts

Offerings from Churches and individuals	$4,598.70
Oregon Christian space and subscriptions	1,124.25
Grounds rental and collections from convention	571.89
Total receipts	$6,294.84

Expenditures

Evangelism, salaries, field work and office expense	$4,965.51
Oregon Christian printers, editor and incidentals	1,471.84
Caretaker, repairs, utilities, and convention bills	1,115.80
Total Expenditures	$7,553.15
	6,294.84
Deficit	$1,258.31

Why the deficit Look at the list of 157 churches and preaching points listed in this issue of The Oregon Christian and you will find 48 churches out of the 157 made an offering to the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention during the first four months of this missionary year. Why the deficit? The two thirds of our churches who did not give could have saved us this deficit if they had just thought about sharing in this work the convention authorized. I am sure it is just neglect on the part of most of the churches. They really expect to carry their share of the average of $2.00 per member. However, we cannot continue running a deficit each month, so we urge everyone who reads this report in The Oregon Christian to get busy and encourage your church to do something about this at once. The work of the Oregon Missionary Convention depends on your immediate sharing. This is the Lord's work on the state level, and by His help we will have the victory before December 31.

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NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

Since last month's column your field secretary has participated in several visitation evangelism programs—at Vale, Madras, and, at this writing, is completing a campaign at Bend. To date there have been sixteen decisions.

Concerning the campaign at Vale, there were 13 responses on Decision Sunday of which 9 were by primary obedience. Bible school attendance went from the 140's of the 2 previous Sundays to 178 on the Decision Sunday and 7 of those making the confession were baptized the same hour. Lloyd Whitford of Sutherlin conducted a two weeks revival fellowing the visitation and there are sure to be further good results.

Madras has done a wonderful job for the size and experience of the church. There were 3 responses on the opening Sunday, 26 responses on Decision Day, 5 responses during the 5 nights of preaching which followed, and 2 responses last Sunday to bring the total to date up to 36. The prayer goal was 18. Illness has held up at least 3 other commitments and 4 responses are in the offing in 2 other families. Of the 36 additions, 19 have been by baptism (mostly in primary obedience but with several completing obedience).

Concerning district rallies—the Yamhill fellows met at Willamina on Monday night, November 17. The McKenzie District met at Coburg with 40 present. Leo Quakenbush, E. W. Blehm, Royal Gardner and Ed Crook gave talks on the Ninety and Nine work. Springfield provided film strips on Bible translations. Bill Richardson gave a talk to close the meeting.

All state and district officers who are members of the Ninety and Nine state executive board are reminded of the meeting of the board scheduled for January 3 and 4 in Portland. Personal announcements will be mailed to each member, but clear the dates **now.** The part of the men in the total program of "The Lord's Work in Oregon" and in the "Pentecost Plus" campaign in particular will be items of discussion and action.

Concerning immediate needs of the Ninety and Nine work in Oregon—we have a fine 16 mm. sound movie projector for camp and promotion work but have only a start for a good screen. About $40.00 is needed. We also need a good slide projector to complete the visual aid equipment for camp and church work. The personally owned portable typewriter which travels the camp and evangelistic circuit is 20 years old and almost ready for a pension. Besides, a typewriter is now needed at home for some school typing practice. Around $60.00 —$75.00 would provide a suitable standard typewriter (elite type preferred) which would do for stencil cutting for various bulletins, reports and camp notebook fillers. A good used filing cabinet would prove handy in keeping some of the records which now fill almost all the drawers of two desks and countless boxes. When all these items have been secured we can think of some more!

The men of the Burns church met on Friday, November 14 for a program and business meeting. Two of the boys entertained with an instrumental solo and a reading after a song service led by Milton Bower with minister, Len Fishback, the maestro of the piano. Your reporter gave a talk on some of the Ninety and Nine work of the past and spoke of future objectives in evangelism, camp work and in supporting new churches. J. C. Tiller, president of the group, was authorized to appoint a nominating committee to submit names of officers for a re-organization of the local Ninety and Nine Brotherhood. A total of 18 were present.

COMING EVENTS

January 9
West Oregon Conference party, Englewood Church, Portland
January 10,
State Youth Committee meeting, Portland
January 13-15,
Northwest Preachers Parliament, Eugene
January 16,
Northwest State Secretaries and Directors of Christian Education meeting, Eugene
January 19—Feb. 19
Convention on Wheels
February 2-4,
Oregon Council State Convention, Eugene

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The true value of horse sense is clearly shown by the fact that the horse was afraid of the automobile during the period when pedestrians laughed at it.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

Holding of the Northwest Preachers Parliament in Eugene on January 13, 14 and 15, 1953 constitutes the big news for next month.

Dr. Ralph Wilburn of Phillips University will be the headline speaker for the Parliament. His subject will be "Our Protestant Heritage in the Light of New Testament Teachings." As New Testament Lecturer, Dr. Wilburn will again emphasize the plea for Christian unity based upon New Testament teachings. Dr. Wilburn, who has his early experiences in our conservative brethren (non-instrumental music) environment, will contribute some new views to our thinking.

The preachers' wives of the Northwest will also have opportunity to share in the meetings and to have some experiences of fellowship beyond state lines.

Howard Thomas Wood, President of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ will be in the Parliament on January 13 and 14 and will speak at the opening session. He will also share in a forum on "The Structure and Function of the International Convention." This discussion will be of exceptional value since it will give all who are present an opportunity to understand better this major annual meeting of our brethren.

WINTER TERM

The winter term of school at N.C.C. begins January 5, 1953. That will be the last day for registration for the term without paying a penalty for late enrollment. Also, it is the day that class sessions will begin.. Several new applications for admission have been approved for those expecting to begin at N.C.C. in January 1953.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

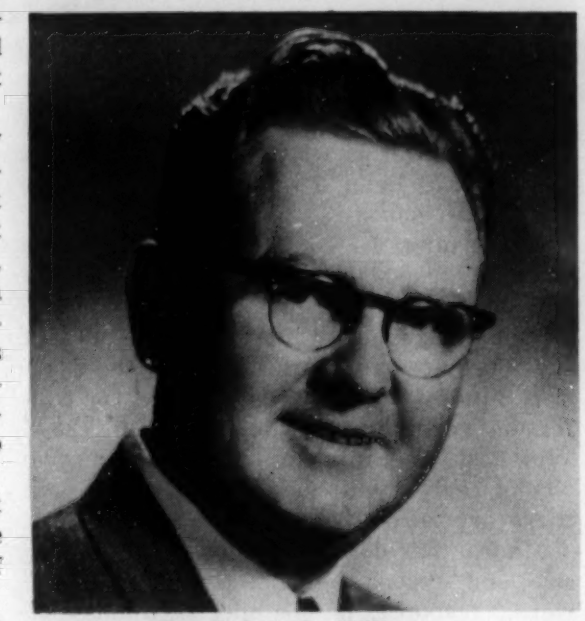
The annual Christmas party for children twelve years of age or under to which all children of faculty members and students of N.C.C. are invited is scheduled for December 16. This party, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Griffeth, provides the one event on campus which all of the children can share. At least 127 are on the list for the current year. When started, the number of children on the list was 28. This indicates the growth in the N.C.C. student body size and also suggests the prospects we have for future students.

SURVEYS

Several teams of students at N.C.C. have helped congregations with surveys in order to discover prospects for church membership. Also, some new areas are being surveyed in order to plan for new congregations. Loren Swanson, who served the congregation at Gates during the time of its building activities, has been leading out in organizing survey teams on campus. Roy Bullock, student body president, has also contributed much time and energy to make this program successful.

DINNER

On November 24, the preaching students at N.C.C. were the guest of the National



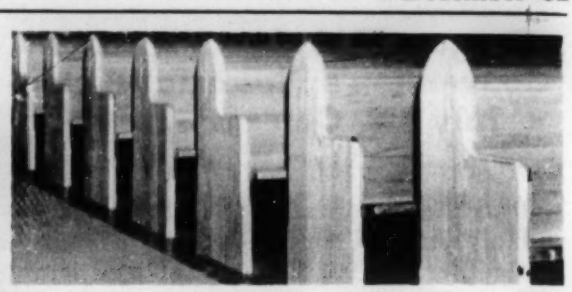
Dr. Ralph G. Wilburn

Benevolent Association at a dinner held in Burke Hall. Faculty members were also guests upon this occasion. Walter Myers, who for so long was connected with E.B.U. and E.B.C., was speaker. His tremendous fund of knowledge was shared with the preachers as he pointed up the work we are doing or have to do in providing for the aged and children of our Christian family.

Another dinner of some proportions was held in Sprong Dining Hall on Thanksgiving day. Those who could not go home for Thanksgiving or who find joy in dining with the larger group shared in the meal. In order to hold down costs, all shared in the preparation or the clean-up. This has become an annual event of some magnitude.

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Again we wish to remind you that it is time for us to receive the names of high school seniors who should attend Northwest Christian College next year. Please send us the names of such young people so that they may be given full information about the work offered here, opportunities for service and other such matters connected with their Christian training. Just send names to Northwest Christian College, Eleventh and Alder, Eugene, Oregon, indicating the time when the person will be ready to enter college.



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"Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet."—Ps. 119:105

Three Scotchmen were in church one Sunday morning when the minister made a strong appeal for some very worthy cause, hoping that everyone in the congregation would give at least one dollar more. The three Scots became very nervous as the collection plate neared them—when one of them fainted and the other two carried him out.

THE CHALLENGE OF THE HOUR: PRAY—PLAN—ACT!

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But we must not only pray, we must plan. We must visualize a new and bold program of action. Surveys need to be made of new areas. Plans must be made to stir our churches to a new understanding of their responsibilities. Ways and means must be provided to evangelize the whole state. Such plans are in the process of being formulated. You will hear more of them in the days to come. Every Christian should feel the responsiblity of sharing in the making of the necessary plans to do the job that God has entrusted to our hands. Every church should be making plans as to what it will do in its area to meet the need.

Then, of course, action is needed. The task is so great that every Christian of every church must be mobilized to share in every possible way that we do not fail our God in this critical hour. Our Master has commanded. He still calls. He waits for His people to respond. What will your answer be? There can be but one answer and that is that we will pray, we will plan and commit ourselves to serve that His will might be done on earth as it is in heaven.

"And they were all together . . . in one place . . . and they were filled with the Holy Spirit"

Those elements of the Pentecost experience were present at a special meeting of the people of our churches at Court Street Church in Salem on November 25 and were made manifest in one of the state's never-to-be-forgotten spiritual experiences. There were no pre-arranged programs to be approved, no promotion of causes to be planned for . . . . but instead, an earnest desire to be led by the Holy Spirit in facing up to the opportunities and needs in Oregon. The feeling of the day was a continuation of the spirit generated at the recent meeting of the State Board at Menucha. As a result of that meeting, many have bonded together in prayers looking toward the Salem meeting. The acceptance of this enlarged program will call for continued daily prayers. Therefore, it is suggested that all who will—pray for this work each morning at 9:00 o'clock.

The day began with prayer, not just the perfunctory type of "opening prayer," but in an extended hour-and-a-half session of concerted prayer and praise. From this opening it moved naturally into a session of sharing, with various commission chairmen presenting the thinking and planning of their groups. Questions from the floor pointed up these reports and spontaneous expressions of enthusiasm for an expanded program were numerous.

Climax to the day came in the evening service. The Northwest Christian College Chorus, under the direction of Maude Skaggs Woodyard, set the tone of the meeting with the presentation of some of the great choral music and hymns of the Church. Summaries of the reports given by the various commission chairmen were presented again. The response of the group assembled, which represented churches from all over the state, was shown in the motion made by Hubert Sias, minister of the Mallory Avenue Church in Portland, which is printed in full on the cover page. The motion, though brief in content, will become one of the historic documents of our Oregon Christian Churches—a motion to move forward in a courageous manner to meet the challenge of neglected areas and beckoning opportunities. Howard Cole, minister of the Vancouver, Washington Church, brought the evening to a close with a stirring sermon.

To expand upon the inherent meanings of this motion, there is listed below the areas of expansion which were adopted and which became immediately the new program of the Christian Churches in Oregon.

10 NEW CHURCHES BEFORE SEPTEMBER, 1953

Harry Atkins, chairman of the Commission on Evangelism, presented the need for new churches in a graphic manner. On a map of Oregon, the location of 25 new churches established in the last ten years was shown by means of red lights, and some of the needy spots for new churches throughout the state were shown by green lights. Among the places suggested for new churches were the following: Portland, Salem, Albany, Lebanon, Vida, Winchester, Medford, East Klamath Falls, Lakeview, John Day, Lake Grove, Brookings and others. Surveys have already been completed in some cities and other are planned for the immediate future. Assistance in this phase of the enlarged state program has been offered by the Macedonian Call Committee, sponsored by the Preacher's Association of Northwest Christian College. Assistance of the "M.C.C." will be given in making preliminary surveys and in providing student preachers after a church is established.

FULL TIME DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Minimum needs in the field of Christian Education were presented from a report prepared by Donald Payne, chairman of the Commission on Christian Education, who was absent due to illness. A full-time director will be chosen very soon to assist churches in the state to plan and administer an adequate program of Christian Education for children, youth and adults. The need for this worker is made imperative by the Pentecost Plus program, when at least 3000 persons will need to be trained in churchmanship and Christian growth.

MINISTER OF STEWARDSHIP AND CHRISTIAN RELATIONS

Newell Morgan, minister of the Hillsboro Church, was given a unanimous call to fill the new office of Stewardship Evangelist. He will begin his work as an additional staff member as soon as the transition can be effected in his own church, and his particular assignment will be to bring this program of expansion to our churches in the state and to enlist every church member in active participation. Brother Morgan's acceptance of this new responsibility, coupled as he will be with Charles Addleman and the new person in the field of Christian Education, will make a strong staff to work with and through our churches.

A YEARLY BUDGET OF $65,647.00

The financial phase of this enlarged venture is repersented in the budget which also met with unanimous approval. Included in the figure of $65,647.00 is the former budget approved earlier. In other words, there has been added to the earlier figure an amount of $37,000.00 approximately, which would be the figure for a year, and which will form the basis of askings for the comprehensive program for the balance of this fiscal year and until the September convention. This includes the needs for the Pentecost Plus program which is discussed elsewhere in this issue. An offering of $739.66 was received at the evening service at the Court Street Church as an expression of "concern" on the part of those who had assembled, and which will be used at once in the state program.

Giving by Churches to Oregon Christian Missionary Convention
July 1 — October 31, 1952

Albany	$101.26
Alvadore	10.10
Amity	——
Ashland	——
Astoria	——
Baker	——
Athena	——
Beaverton	——
Bend	21.00
Brownsville	——
Burns	——
Canby	——
Carlton	16.29
Coburg	——
Coquille	109.43
Corbett	——
Corvallis	20.10
Cottage Grove	.....
Cottage Grove	——
Crabtree	——
Creswell	——
Culver	——
Dallas	——
Dayton	——
Detroit	——
Drain	——
Dufur	——
Elgin	——
Elkton	——
Elmira	——
Enterprise	20.00
Estacada	——
Eugene First	462.10
College Crest	——
Allison Park	——
Bethel	——
Fairmount	——
West Side	——
Fall Creek	——
Falls City	——
Florence	——
Forest Grove	200.55
Franklin	——
Garibaldi	——
Gates	——
Gladstone	39.00
Glendale	——
Glide	——
Gold Hill	——
Goshen	——
Grants Pass	203.38
Halfway	——
Halsey	——
Harrisburg	——
Heppner	——
Hermiston	——
Hillsboro	15.55
Holley	——
Hood River	42.70
Hood River Valley	40.90
Ione Community	——

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Irving	——
Jasper	——
Jefferson	——
Joseph	——
Junction City	——
Klamath Falls	——
La Grande	210.50
Lebanon	116.14
Lexington	——
Liberty	50.00
Lorane	——
Madras	37.62
Marcola	——
McMinnville	100.00
McKenzie Bridge	——
Medford First	350.00
Medford Central	——
Mill City	7.00
Milton-Freewater	96.82
Molalla	——
Monmouth	——
Mosier	——
Multnomah	50.00
Myrtle Creek	——
Myrtle Point	3.95
Newberg	45.80
Newport	25.50
North Bend	——
North Plains	——
Noti	——
Nyssa	——
Oakland	——
Oakridge	48.24
Ontario	100.35
Oregon City	——
Pendleton	180.34
Peoria	——
Perrydale	——
Phoenix	——
Pleasant Hill	——
Portland Central	50.00
Englewood	112.76
First	100.00
Kern Park	115.58
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Parkrose	——
Sellwood	25.00
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Powell Butte	10.00
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Redmond Christian	——
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Pentecost Plus

The State Evangelism Committee has chosen one of its members, Ross Griffeth, to serve as local leader for the coming state-wide Bayne Driskill campaign. The following information has been prepared by him. This and future articles will appear in The Oregon Christian until the close of the campaign next April.

The Pentecost Plus program has two goals which can be measured in numbers: (1) a ten per cent new increase in the resident membership of New Testament Christian congregations in Oregon; (2) more than three thousand additions to the membership of these congregations during the visitation period in April 1953.

Reports are available on the number of resident members in 126 of these Oregon congregations as of June 30, 1952. It is hoped that most or all of the forty other congregations will indicate in some way the number of resident members on last June 30 and the gains made during the current year.

According to these 126 available reports, 2 congregations had no change in the number of resident members, 28 congregations reported smaller numbers than for the previous year and the other 96 congregations reported gains in the number of resident members.

The increase in resident members per congregation for the year ending June 30, 1952 ranged all the way from 1 to 362. The reported losses in number among the 28 that reported losses ranged from 1 to 380. It is obvious that some who reported losses were just getting their records up to date for they had not reported losses during many years prior to last June.

Concerning the current year, it is reasonable in almost every instance to expect that the congregations will have a net gain of ten per cent or more. The 126 congregations reporting had approximately 230 resident members each. In order to meet the goal for net increase, either these congregations should average 253 members next June 30 or enough new congregations should be established to meet any deficit in numbers.

However, it cannot be stressed too strongly that our basic interest is not in numbers as such but in numbers of redeemed individuals.

SETTING GOALS

Every congregation should have an evangelistic goal for the year. If this has not yet been fixed, it should be fixed very soon. Many congregations have gone far toward realizing their initial goals for the year but should review those commitments. Let us be glad that we assume goals large enough to challenge our best efforts.

SCHEDULE

Every effort is now being made to arrange schedules for all participating congregations. Each congregation must be willing to share with another if the work is to be done. And each congregation must be willing to make reasonable adjustments on schedule so that the best use can be made of available leadership.

COST

What will it cost to share in this Pentecost Plus program? Actually it will cost just what you are willing to give toward the success of the program.

As to the over-all costs for the salary and expenses of Bayne Driskill, the publicity material which is being provided, and the cost of expenses involved in setting up the meetings should be cared for by contributions from the various congregations. Even the smallest congregations should plan to share in this at least $25.00. Larger congregations should share in proportion. About an average of twenty cents per resident member for participating congregations should meet the costs. If there is anything left over it will go toward the establishment of new congregations.

Each congregation will care for its own local expenses of securing prayer cards, commitment cards, etc. It will also provide transportation costs and entertainment for the visiting leader. Congregations are to share the services of their ministers and it is understood that the guest leader will not be given an honorarium but his expenses will be cared for.

THE HARVEST

From far and near come reports of great harvests of souls in these comprehensive evangelism campaigns. The story of the Salem congregations is now well known. Many other congregations have similar experiences. So can we all if we all work together.

PRAYER

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, for the generous harvest of souls, we give thee thanks. With confidence we look forward to the culmination of many months of effort, many hours of prayer, when more than three thousand shall take membership with our Oregon congregations during April, 1953. In this we rejoice because of the enlarged fellowship of those who bow humbly before Thy throne of grace. Amen.

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GLENDALE: Foundation has been put under the new parsonage and other work on parsonage progressing nicely. Survey of city being taken in preparation for calling campaign. George Good, pastor. **ROCKAWAY:** Mrs. Edna L. Burke and other state women's workers held a meeting in Rockaway recently and were entertained with a potluck dinner—everyone remaining for the service following. Three ladies attended Kollege for Kristian Knowledge at Seaside. One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. John P. Frink, minister.

VERNONIA: Two added by statement from other churches. Two weddings since last report. Have started nursery for morning worship hour . . . . it has increased the attendance. C.F. Swander, pastor. **NEWBERG:** Ordained Vincent DeWitt Smith to the Christian ministry at the evening service November 16. Charge was given by Milton Faxon, minister at Toledo, Oregon and former pastor of Mr. Smith. The ordination sermon was delivered by J. Frank Cunningham. Assisting the local elders were elders H. C. Curtz of Perrydale, Oregon and Arthur Burqhart of the Fairmount Church in Eugene. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are ministering to the church in Perrydale. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Erma Rusaw, a Newberg girl. Six added by baptism, 7 otherwise.J. Frank Cunningham, minister.

WILLAMINA: The Senior Christian Endeavor is composed of a large and very active group of high school young people. During October they sponsored a "Hamburger Fry" at the church and over 100 persons were served during the evening. Fifty dollars of the profits were used to send a goat to Korea. The church accepted their challenge and sent one too. The church has entered the "Pentecost-Plus" campaign. **NEWPORT:** A fine Teaching Institute is being conducted at the Newport Christian Church. There have been about 30 in average attendance. Mrs. Hattie Menzies has been bringing fine lectures on the content of the New Testament. There are 3 selective classes: 1. Sunday School teaching aids; 2. C. J. Shorp "Christ of the Four Gospels"; 3. O. L. Sheldon's "Church Functioning Effectively." Also an assembly with local ministers speaking on The History of the Church. Sunday School attendance has shown 25% increase over last year. 3 added by transfer. Wes Goucher, minister.

CORVALLIS: November 2 was Decision Day following a Comprehensive Evangelism campaign under the direction of Shelvy Anglemyer of Medford. There were 59 additions on that day, with a total of 89 for the campaign. Professor Ward Rice of N.C.C. conducted a week of preaching on "What We Believe," November 10-16. According to one long-time member, this meeting was the best attended in 35 years. The church school continues to grow with children's classes crowding their space and two new adult classes formed to help accommodate newcomers. Highly successful Salmon Dinner held for the benefit of Yakima Indian Mission on Nov. 17. Evening services were started this month with excellent response. Donald L. Helseth, minister.

TURNER: New roof on church building —minor repairs on parsonage roof. Planning for evangelistic meeting. Youth athletic activities every Monday night. John D. Runyon of McKinley mission with us recently. 100% increase in mission activity over 1950. Turner Memorial Home lost one of its members by death November 14—Ivan Burford. Young man recently dedicated his life to full time Christian service. Guy L. Armstrong, minister.

ST. HELENS: "Building Block" program continues with increasing interest. Zelma Horton, chief-of-captains, reported $1200 cash now in new building fund. Several local adults attended the "Church Life Institute" in Portland, October 20-24. Local Women's Fellowship entertained the district "Kollege of Christian Knowledge," sponsored by Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship, October 22. It proved a great blessing, especially for our ladies as many had never previously contacted state, district and national leaders. Bible school "Teacher's Recognition" service was conducted evening of October 26. According to custom, the school presented a gift to the church in behalf of the teachers. A copy of Revised Standard Bible and 3 wall planters were presented by Elsie Zatterberg, superintendent. Once a month we conduct service at Buckwold Nursing Home for Elderly folk. R. L. Putnam, minister.

PORTLAND-FIRST: Fellowship Hall to be dedicated on December 17. Now able to feed 450 people and room is spacious, comfortable and beautifully decorated. The rehabilitation project has provided an adequate stage, a fine ladies powder room and one of the most modern kitchens in all of Oregon. The cost has been $35,000.00. It is the second step in the completion of our expansion program. The next will be the erection of the new building unit. Myron C. Cole, minister, represented our people at the National Council of Churches assembly at Denver, December 7-12. He was a voting delegate in the department of foreign missions. Charles C. Manker, Jr. attended postsession meetings at Denver to arrange west coast workshop for religious education directors. 3 added by baptism, 7 otherwise.

NORTH BEND: Church attendance and membership is increasing and we are becoming alarmed because of a lack of room in our present plant. Starting a mission work in this area, using one of our homes and local workers. Things are looking very favorable. Busy preparing for Christmas and keeping Christ in Christmas where He belongs. Our Youth are planning several events of Good Will for the unfortunates. Mission groups are also doing the same; in fact, all the church is behind a program of benevolence. Hope to have all the church functioning on the Departmental Plan of organization by the first of the year. 4 added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Clyde C. Blakley, minister.

MEDFORD: November 23 will be the church's 68th Anniversary Homecoming Day. This will be the 68th birthday of the church and the first anniversary of our minister, Shelvy Anglemyer, with us. Mrs. Anglemyer helped in campaigns in Lebanon, Corvallis, and Eugene recently. 5 added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Beverly Lyman, secretary. **SILVERTON:** Have completed some new concrete steps to the church as a memorial to one of deceased members. These will be dedicated on December 14. Three young people attended the Christian Youth Fellowship in Albany. A. C. Bates, minister.

MULTNOMAH: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise since last report. 25 of the youth took their C. E. lesson to McMinnville November 9 and conducted the entire service for the youth there—also supplied a musical number for the church service. Men of the church are painting the basement and making other needed repairs. Chaplain Walton of Portland Air Base was guest speaker for the November Dorcas meeting and gave fine talk on work of the chaplaincy. Chaplain Kullowatz of Great Falls, Montana, was guest speaker for the church during the month. Myra Kullowatz, reporter—Leland Earls, minister. **GLIDE:** Royal Gardner was called as student pastor; Gilbert Knox as student youth director. Mr. Dunn of Roseburg is holding midweek Bible study each Wednesday evening. Parsonage has been started and work is continuing as weather permits.

CARLTON: The Carlton Christian Church is one of the many small community churches in Oregon that is struggling for its preservation. However, with the loving encouragement of the other Yamhill County Churches, Carlton is growing spiritually. The Carlton Church is now having successful and spiritual prayer meetings. Things are wrought by prayer. **LIBERTY:** A local men's 90 & 9 group has been organized with Mr. Sanford Kent as chairman. We are looking forward to a good men's work in the next year. A second missionary group has been organized for women who work or for other reasons cannot attend the day meetings. Bible School attendance is up about 30% above last year with an average of 120. John Myers, minister.

TILLAMOOK: Educational building

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nearing completion. Will dedicate the first Sunday in 1953. "Pentecost Plus" program with goals for every phase of the work to be inaugurated at that time. Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Aldis Webb, minister. **McKENZIE BRIDGE:** All departments of the church have kept up very well through the summer but forest fires have kept some of our men away from the services. Sunday School attendance October 19 was 71. Women's Council is doing a fine work in accumulating money for next unit of our building—an auditorium. We were happy to have tourists on vacation in our services and we invite you to come again. Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Frank L. Cook, pastor.

MARCOLA: Redecorated auditorium and entrance way. Plans being made for Christmas play. Attendance holding well with average substantially greater than last year. Offerings good. 8 added by baptism, 1 otherwise. John Smith, minister. **BAKER:** Had 92 men and boys present at Father-Son banquet on November 6. Gene Robinson of La Grand was the speaker. Observed the 5th annual Birthday Service on November 14 with an extra good attendance. An offering of $57.23 was received for Osaka Christian mission in Japan. Average attendance is up over last year's attendance. Joe Jewett, minister.

SPRINGFIELD: Sunday School attendance for summer and fall averaged 50 more than last year. All departments of church work going good. E. R. Moon, pastor, reports 9 added by statement. **EUGENE-BETHEL:** The dedication of the Bethel Christian Church building was held November 23, 1952 at 3:00 P.M. Carroll Roberts of First Christian Church, Eugene, gave the dedicatory sermon. Attendance has increased approximately 33-1/3% since we began holding services in chapel building. Six added by statement. Daniel E. Thuma, minister.

ALBANY: Crusade for Christ has resulted in a total of 64 added to the Albany Church. Albany was host to the Central Oregon Youth Meet, November 14-15. Coffee hour once a month after the evening service has been inaugurated. Lester Jones, minister. **ROSEBURG:** Calling program launched with every willing member of the church making calls on at least one Wednesday evening a month while the rest are in prayer for them. Program fits in with Bayne Driskill campaign, but includes calls on inactive members as well. Church team won the men's Y.M.C.A. football league trophy. Now have 3 teams entered in "Y" basketball leagues. Educational building program progressing; a total of about $30,000.00 has been received; building is enclosed; hope to complete it without going into debt. Nearly $2000.00 has been donated in labor so far. Many materials acquired at a discount—Praise the Lord! 9 added by baptism, 6 otherwise. R. V. Kleinfeldt, pastor. **GATES:** Two ladies have worked faithfully for three weeks varnishing the platform until it literally glistens. On November 30, Bob Sullivan presented his slides on India and spoke on behalf of the C.M.F. Offerings were given to "Goats for Korea" along with several large bundles of clothing and an offering was given to friends of the church who have served a term in South America as missionaries. 3 added by statement. Loren Swanson, minister.

MILWAUKIE: The Sr. High class staged a Tell-A-Vision show in the church basement the evening of November 3. There were nearly 200 in attendance and the offering was $70.00 which the class is using to finish and decorate their room. The young folk exhibited excelelnt amateur talent and were awarded by much applause and praise for the performance. One Sunday the church was host to the Bethel girls and DeMolay boys from this area. Six added by baptism, 12 otherwise. Mrs. A. B. Walters, reporter—Alger Fitch, minister. **GLADSTONE:** Women's Day was observed on December 7. Film on mission work featured in evening service. Family Night in October featured Brotherhood film "Where the Bible Speaks." Portion on street in front of the church paved for better parking during winter months. Work will be done on interior of new addition during coming months. One added by statement. Nelson E. Cole, minister. **EUGENE-ALLISON PARK:** Just finished a six week "Teacher's Training Class," under the leadership of Mrs. Lynnette Rhay, Mr. Jim Cornett and Dr. Carroll Roberts with an average attendance of 23. Joe Wagnon, pastor. One added by baptism, 5 otherwise.

VALE: Attendance November 16 was 178. Had 13 responses at the close of the calling campaign led by Ed Dewees. Started preaching mission by Lloyd Whitford November 16. Pastor Hugh Foster resigned on November 16. Church has not yet located a new pastor. During the four years of the Foster's ministry, there have been 109 additions. Of these, 18 have moved away, leaving a total gain of 91. **ASTORIA:** The young people have been given the 3rd Sunday evening service of each month. On November 16, Don Walman, Robert and Beverly Bray, Sandra Grocott, Diana Sehorn, Myrna Beth Glick and Louann Lule conducted the entire service—from preaching to music. The men's 90 and 9 held their district meeting at Seaside on November 21 with Albert Kribs, minister of Astoria, as guest speaker. Three of our men attended the Elder's school in Hillsboro on November 21-22. One added by baptism.

FOREST GROVE: During church Loyalty month which was observed in November, we held five special services: November 2 was Harvest Home Festival when folk brought 269 cans of food for the Beaverton Home; November 9 the church board sat together for their annual recognition service; November 16 our Bible School teachers and officers participated as a group in the morning church dedication service; November 23 we had the congregational dedication service for our sustaining link missionary, Miss Ruth Kinney; on November 30 had fall Homecoming service. A new outdoor bulletin board has been purchased and is being installed. 5 added by baptism, 5 otherwise. John Boosinger, minister.

PORTLAND — KERN PARK: Bible School attendance has been over 400 every

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Sunday since moving into the new building. 5 added to the church by baptism and 10 by statement. Prayer and concern for the church's work in the world are receiving special emphasis. We have entered the Pentecost and Comprehensive Evangelistic Crusade for 3000 souls added to Christian Churches in Oregon. The Kern Park Club of Northwest Christian College students presented the evening service recently. Ray Lambert preached and Richard Perry led the song service. George R. Whipple, minister. **OAKRIDGE:** Two added within the month. A program of visitation and preaching was held November 10-23. Will report results next issue. Gene Chamberlain was guest leader. Bible School and church work progressing well. Harry E. Chapin, minister.

JUNCTION CITY: A Junior Choir has been started—also a weekly youth night on Monday evening. Union Thanksgiving service held in the Lutheran church. Our Church family had its Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, November 23. 4 added by baptism. I. M. Nelson, minister. **SHERIDAN:** The 100th anniversary of the founding of the Sheridan church was observed November 2. It was a momentous occasion and a thrilling event in the life of the church and community. There were three great services. Milton Bower of Hines, Oregon, a former pastor was speaker in the morning; Lester Jones, another former pastor now of Albany church, spoke in the afternoon; and B. Ross Evans, who has held two fine revivals for the church, spoke at night. There were 6 added in the morning—5 by statement, 1 by baptism. Many letters from former pastors and members were received. It was a great day and a wonderful fellowship. Frank W. Zook, pastor.

SALEM—COURT STREET: During the past month Court Street Church has kept the light of prayer burning every day. The "Prayer Tower" is kept open from 6 a.m. until 9 p.m. each day. At least one person is there at all times. About 60 people are sharing in this ministry of prayer. Over 200 special requests for prayer have been received and each has been remembered in prayer. Anyone desiring special prayer for any special need is invited to, telephone (3-6161) or write "The House of Prayer" Court Street Christian Church, 17th and Court Streets, Salem, Oregon. Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Harold Lyman, minister.

BURNS: Thirteen evergreen trees and shrubs have been planted around the church. The kitchen of the church was completed the first week in December and the new 3 room addition to the parsonage will be completed shortly afterward. Just started rehearsing for the "All Boy" concert program to be given in February. 21 of our young people attended the Central Union C.E. Convention held in Prineville, November 21-22. Two added by statement. Len B. Fishback, pastor. **SCOTTS MILLS:** As we do not have a pastor at present, we are studying the book of Revelation with Mr. Carl Willard, leader. Having a good attendance for Sunday School and The Lord's Supper. Oliver Brougher, reporter.

WALLOWA: Not related directly to any group but as a community project, the Wallowa County Sing is worthy of note. This group meets each third Sunday afternoon with an attendance of 120 to 150. Just informal Christian singing! This has been in continuous activity for more than 10 years. One added by statement. O. W. Jones, pastor. **LA GRANDE:** Church held a smorgasbord dinner October 24 as a money raising project for building fund. Several young people attended the C.E. Convention at Enterprise October 17-18. Young people also attended youth meet at Milton recently. 11 added by statement. Gene Robinson, pastor.

HILLSBORO: Set a new record for attendance in our Bible School, when on October 26 we had 615. Average Bible School attendance for October 5—November 9 was 578. On November 9 we had the OCTOGENARIANS from Eugene for our Sunday services—they were very well received. Afternoon of November 9 had a Christian Youth Talent Show which drew a very large attendance and 20 youths or youth groups shared in the contest. Caroline Wyttenburg and Bob Zembrick of Beaverton won the contest. Newell Morgan, minister assisted the Church at Monmouth with a week of Visitation Evangelism. Five added by baptism, 4 otherwise.

PORTLAND—PARKROSE: Held visitation evangelism campaign with Decision Sunday November 9 resulting in 19 additions. Alger Fitch held a one week meeting November 10-14. Special Thanksgiving service held November 26. Dallas Meserve, minister. **POWELL BUTTE:** Just finished fine meeting with Teddy Leavitt with 7 added by baptism and 7 otherwise. Have fine 8 piece orchestra for evening services. Foundation now in for new $25,000.00 sanctuary. Lord's Acre net results $6011.11—largest we have ever had. D. L. Penhollow, pastor.

ASHLAND: W.W. White held evangelistic meeting November 16-30. 3 additions by statement first 3 services—will report complete results later. 4 added by baptism, 7 otherwise since last report. Earl F. Downing, minister. **MONMOUTH:** Completed comprehensive evangelism campaign, Newell Morgan leading, with 23 decisions on November 16. Others yet to come and others to be baptized. Had 4 nights of preaching-teaching, November 17-20 with Lawrence Bixler and Newell Morgan on alternating nights. Lynnton Elwell, minister.

ONTARIO: Bible School has entered into an 8 weeks attendance contest with La-Grande. Indications are it will be a lively one. Since polio epidemic is over attendance has picked up well. Local ministers association is offering a reward to the business establishment that gives the most emphasis to the Christian and original meaning of Christmas in their window displays. The Chamber of Commerce, newspaper and radio station are all giving the idea good boosting. 3 added by baptism. E. J. Helseth, minister. **CULVER:** Church was host to the Central Oregon 5th Sunday rally recently. Dale M. Harter, pastor, and Ted Baker of Sisters were speakers. The song services were led by Donna Roberts of Culver and Mrs. Betty Clark of Madras.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Held a visitation evangelism campaign with Ed Eldridge as leader—goal of 85 victories set for decision day, November 23. 71 delegates present at district C.Y.F. convention November 7 and 8 held here. Will hold annual church meeting with reports for the year on December 12. C.W.F. has taken as their project, materials to "All People's Community Center" in Los Angeles. Holding party in the church basement after each High School ball game inviting all the young people of the community—thus keeping them away from undesirable places of amusement. There were 75 present for the Armistice Day post-game party. 11 added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Truman Robbins, pastor.

DAYTON: Brotherhood film "Where the Bible Speaks" was shown with a good response. High School youth are gathering food for needy families for Christmas. Intermediate youth are planning to decorate our Christmas tree with socks and mittens to be used for the mission field after Christmas. **McMINNVILLE:** There were 23 responses on our Fall Decision Day following a Week of Intensive Visitation. B. Ross Evans of Sweet Home held a meeting beginning on that Sunday, November 16 and continuing for 2 weeks. Elery A. Parrish, minister.

OREGON CITY: Framework on Bible School plant addition is up. All work has been done by men of the church. Expect to be using addition by spring. 9 added by baptism, 12 otherwise. Howard Hutchins, minister. **PENDLETON:** Visitation evangelism campaign completed on Decision Sunday, November 16, when 41 answered invitation with 4 more coming Monday night. Two had come previously, making a total of 47. This has been the most wonderful blessing for the church. From 30 to 45 members visited each night and are constantly rejoicing in their victories for the church. Many others who were visited are planning to come in the next few Sundays. We are grateful for the leadership of Brother Eldridge who led us in this program of evangelism. Hiram Dawson, minister.

SALEM-FIRST: Church night held each Wednesday evening—dinner and 5 different classes held. Special dinners have been given for new members with fellowship, stewardship and instruction emphasized Youth were hosts to recent OCYC Assembly. Miss Frances Woolery, assistant editor-in-chief of the Christian Board of Publication was recent visitor. Two added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Dudley Strain, minister.

REDMOND: Planning to take part in state wide evangelistic campaign to start soon. Were host church for central Oregon planning committee for this campaign recently. Ministers of Redmond uniting in a religious census. Women have undertaken a program of relief both locally and for Korean war refugees and orphanages. Also boxes sent to Martin B. Clarks in Japan. Congregation as a group attended Powell Butte church where Teddy Leavitt held evangelistic services recently. 27 young people and 9 teachers returned November 16 from retreat near Bend. A monthly church paper will be published by high school and college classes with paid subscriptions. These same classes are planning a young people's evangelistic campaign for March with weekly two by two calling. 3 added by baptism. Dorothy Lowrey, reporter; Dick Merriman, minister.

BEND: We are half through a fine visitation campaign with Ed Dewees leading. There have been sixteen decisions; one invalid in a wheel chair beyond 70 who is the talk of the town. One man of 40 made con-

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fession and is calling every day through remainder of campaign. We feel that the labors of Ed Dewees have been eminently worth while and have greatly uplifted the community. Wm. Henry Hart, minister.

RAY L. APLET has closed his work at The Dalles and has accepted a call to the church in Ukiah, California. We wish him a long and effective ministry there. He did an outstanding piece of work at The Dalles before his illness.

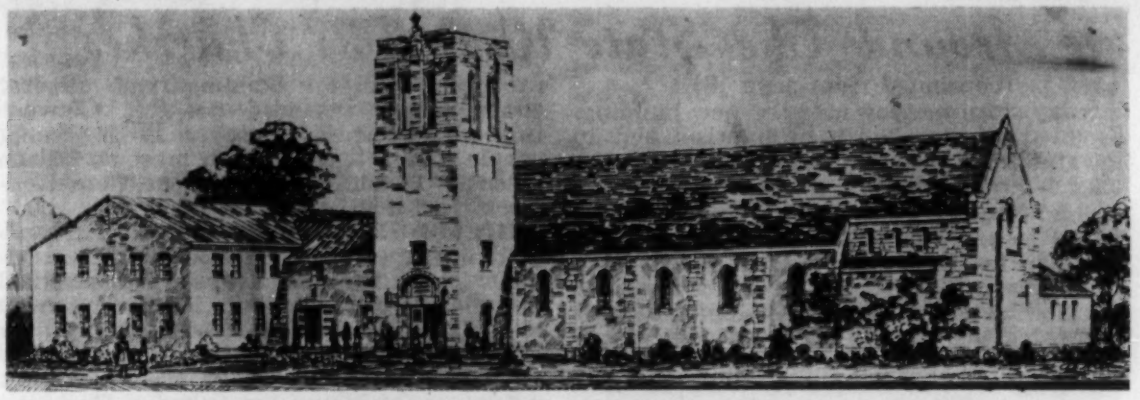
THEODORE H. BAKER after a long ministry at Orland, California, has accepted a call to the church at Sisters and is now on the field.

WALTER NAFF: (ALSO ROSE MARY AND MONZA LEE) has accepted the call as minister to the church at **COQUILLE.** We congratulate the church on its wise selection. The Naffs have been attending Texas Christian University, taking graduate work at Brite College of the Bible. They will return to Oregon after the first of the year. We will be happy to welcome the Naffs back to our state.

EUGENE-FIRST: Two-hundred-sixteen decisions recorded at Eugene First Christian church since the beginning of the fall evangelistic crusade September 14. 121 came in during the preparatory period, 50 came on Decision Sunday, 10 were restored to membership and 35 others signed decision cards and will come in the next few weeks. November 16 there were 27 confessions of faith and 23 transfers of membership. There were 15 baptized at the Sunday evening service. The whole church life has been quickened because of this campaign of visitation and the large number of additions. Carroll Roberts, minister.

IT DIDN'T GET AWAY

Elery Parrish, minister at our church at McMinnville, recently caught this 41-inch, 31 lb. Royal Chinook salmon in the Nestucca River near Woods. He says it took 12 minutes to land him with a light steelhead salmon casting outfit. Elery preached the following Sunday on "Let's Go Fishing" and made the application to fishing for the souls of men. There were 23 persons won to the church during the week.



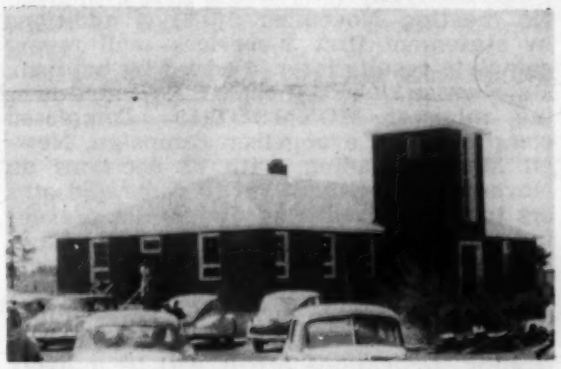
Architect's drawing of the new First Christian Church at La Grande.

LA GRAND CHURCH BUILDING PLANS GET BOOST

The new La Grande church will, according to Gene Robinson, minister, be completed soon—at least five years ahead of schedule—because of a $30,000.00 annuity gift made by one of the members of the congregation, Mrs. W. H. Divers. She is to receive five per cent interest on her gift for the rest of her life, and at her death, the principal will revert to the Church..

The first unit was completed in 1951 and was dedicated in July of that year. It cost approximately $50,000.00 but is valued by the insurance appraisers at $80,000.00 or more. This unit is shown in the picture to the left of the tower. The second unit contains the sanctuary, and is the tower and section to the right of the tower. It will provide a ground-floor sanctuary seating 335 plus overflow space for a total of 500. The inside walls are of shale block without plaster and the outside finish is red brick.

The building is located just four blocks from the business district of La Grande, and is on a plot containing 1.22 acres. No definite date will be set for beginning further construction until details are worked out on the financial arrangements, including a loan from Church Extension, but the church hopes to begin next spring.



View of the new educational unit of the Powell Butte Community Christian Church built from funds derived from annual Lord's Day Auction.

Annual Lord's Acre Auction of the Powell Butte Community Christian Church in progress.

CHURCH EVENT AT POWELL BUTTE SUCCESSFUL

The sixth annual Lord's Acre Auction, Bazaar, Country Store and Barbecue, conducted by the Powell Butte Community Christian Church, netted $6,011.11—over $1,000.00 more than for any previous year. This year's receipts bring the 6 year total to $36,000.00 with which the present $25,000.00 educational unit, in which the congregation now worships, was financed. The balance will now go towards the building and furnishing of the future $25,000.00 sanctuary unit. More than 1800 people from all over the state were in attendance this year and $850.00 worth of barbecued beef and ham was sold. The women of the church take care of the bazaar and country store and the men do the barbecue and auction.

D. L. Penhollow, minister, reports that through the years the event has become a wonderful fellowship day for the entire community and it has also served to knit the church family into a wonderful unit of Christian service. He further states that none of this money ever goes to the pastor's support—the church insisting that local expenses be met by tithes and offerings.

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